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C O N F I D E N T I A L NDJAMENA 0248

E O 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: EXPULSION CHADIANS FROM SUDAN NO PROBLEM FOR GOC

REF: KHARTOUM 129

1. IN MID-JANUARY SENIOR CHADIAN SECURITY OFFICIAL CONFIRMED TO EMBOFF THAT SUDAN HAD EXPELLED 400 OR 500 CHADIANS. THOSE THUS FAR EXPELLED, HE SAID, WERE PEOPLE WHO WERE EITHER UNEMPLOYED OR HAD ESTABLISHED NO FIRM RESIDENCE. HE NOTED FURTHER THAT NUMBERS EXPELLED SMALL COMPARED TO NUMBER CHADIANS LIVING SUDAN. (SUDANESE AMBASSADOR NDJAMENA HAS USED FIGURE OF ONE MILLION BUT THIS PROBABLY HIGH.) OFFICIAL KNEW OF NO ACTION BEING CONSIDERED BY GOC.

2. FIRST PUBLIC GOVERNMENTAL RECOGNITION EXPULSION WAS FEB 3 INFOTCHAD ANNOUNCEMENT WHICH OBSERVED PRESIDENCY AWARE OF RUMORS SPREAD BY "SENSATION SEEKERS" THAT CHADIANS EXPELLED FROM SUDAN AND THEIR ALLEGATION THAT THOSE EXPELLED SHOULD HAVE RIGHT TO AID FROM GOC. PRESIDENCY THEREFORE ANNOUNCES TO THE PUBLIC THAT "THESE INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN EXPELLED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SUDAN ON ACCOUNT OF THE GRAVITY OF THE OFFENSES
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WITH WHICH THEY ARE CHARGED" AND NOTES THAT THE GOC WOULD BEAR

NO RESPONSIBILITY TO THOSE EXPELLED EITHER FOR TRANSPORTATION
BACK TO HOME PREFECTURE OR FOR ANY OTHER ASSISTANCE.

3. COMMENT: GOC OBVIOUSLY SEEKS AVOID COMPLICATIONS IN ITS
RELATIONS WITH GOS, BUT GOC APPARENT LACK OF CONCERN MAY ALSO
BE DUE IN PART POSSIBLE GOS ASSURANCES THAT ONLY LIMITED NUMBERS
OF CHADIANS WILL BE EXPELLED. LARGE NUMBER OF EXPULSIONS COULD
EASILY STRAIN ECONOMIC RESOURCES NORTH AND CENTRAL CHAD BORDER
AREAS WHICH ONCE AGAIN THIS YEAR BEGINNING FACE FOOD SHORTAGES.
FINALLY, THESE ARE TRIBES AND GROUPS OFTEN OUT OF SYMPATHY
WITH SOUTHERN-DOMINATED GOC AND PLIGHT OF FEW HUNDRED OF THEIR
POORER MEMBERS NOT UNDULY UPSETTING TO GOC.
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